

REMARKS

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2007.

By means of the present amendment, claims 22, 28 and 36 are amended to correct informalities noted upon review of the claims. Claims 22, 28 and 36 were not amended in order to address issues of patentability and Applicants respectfully reserve all rights under the Doctrine of Equivalents.

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-18, 22-29, 32, 33, 36 and 39-41 are allowed.

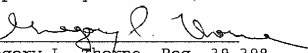
In the Office Action, Claims 19 and 20-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as allegedly being directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Applicants respectfully disagree with and explicitly traverses this ground for rejecting Claims 19 and 20-21. It is the Applicants' position that the claims require statutory subject matter. However, in the interest of furthering the prosecution of this matter, Applicants have elected to amend the claims to more clearly state the invention. Specifically, Applicants have amended

Claim 19 to more clearly state a microprocessor readable recording medium comprising a modified transport stream arranged for accessing wanted content within the modified transport stream by a reproducing apparatus, ... Claim 20 is amended to recite a decoder arranged to decode a modified transport stream embedded in a signal and to select from the signal, wanted content of a selected audio-visual program, ... the decoder being arranged to identify and select transport packets which correspond to the wanted content and to preserve compliance with a transport stream target decoder model substantially without repacketizing or remultiplexing the streams, and to utilize auxiliary information to gain access to the content of the modified transport stream via any of a set of potential entry points throughout the wanted content. Claim 21 is drawn now to the decoder of Claim 20. No new matter is added by these amendments nor should a further search be required as a search of devices has been previously performed. Clearly Claims 19 and 20-21 require statutory subject matter. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the amendment to the claims be entered and that the rejection of Claims 19 and 20-21 be withdrawn.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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